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Ten days after this design public hearing, (July 23, 2010), the public comment period will close. VDOT will review and evaluate any information received as a result of this hearing.

This information, including the hearing summary, will be available for review at VDOT's Fredericksburg District Office located at 87 Deacon Road, Fredericksburg, VA 22405.

The information received as a result of this meeting will be presented to VDOT's chief engineer for consideration.

If approval of the major design features is received from VDOT's chief engineer for this project, the project will move forward to the final design phase.

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Design Public Hearing
Route 17 (Warrenton Road)
Stafford County

Tuesday, July 13, 2010, 4-7 p.m.
VDOT Fredericksburg District Auditorium
86 Deacon Road
Fredericksburg, VA 22405

Public Meeting

Welcome to the Virginia Department of Transportation's (VDOT) public hearing on proposed improvements to Route 17 in Stafford County.

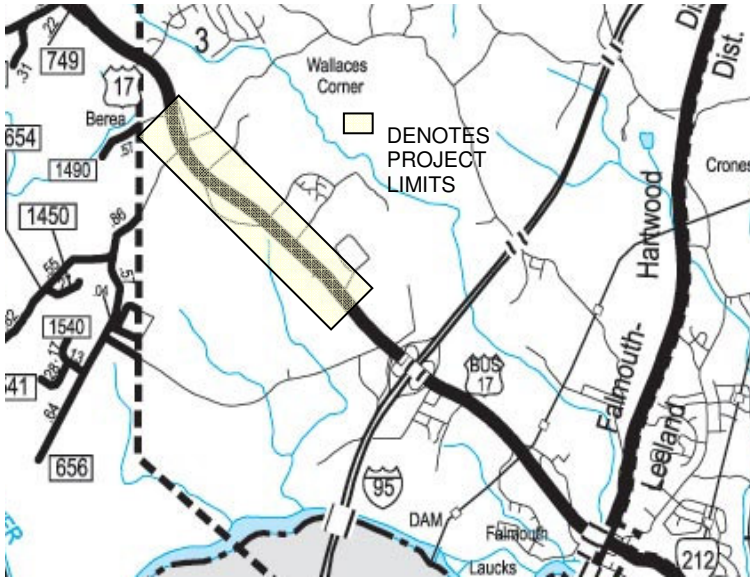
This design public hearing is being held to provide an opportunity for citizens or organizations to give VDOT comments and/or suggestions on the proposed project. VDOT strives to ensure that all members of the community have the opportunity to participate in public decisions on transportation projects and programs affecting them.

VDOT representatives are present to discuss the project and answer your questions.

A comment sheet is included in the handouts for this meeting, and your input is encouraged. All written comments received on this project will be included in a transcript for review by VDOT personnel, citizens and other interested parties.

VDOT staff will address questions and concerns raised as a result of this meeting before the project is presented to VDOT's chief engineer for consideration.

Project Overview



- Cost** – \$47 million
- Purpose** – To improve traffic flow and enhance public safety
- From** – 0.009 miles south of McLane Drive
- To** – 0.126 miles north of Stafford Lakes Parkway
- Total length** – 2.018 miles
- Improvements** – Roadway widening to six lanes

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The primary purpose of this project is to add one through lane with an additional continuous right turn lane in the northbound and southbound direction of Route 17 from 0.009 miles south of McLane Drive to 0.126 miles north of Stafford Lakes Parkway.

The typical section will consist of approximately 49 feet of pavement in each direction, a 28-foot and variable median, 2-foot-6-inch curb and gutter, and a 5-foot sidewalk. The proposed typical section is approximately 151 feet wide.

This project will be constructed in accordance with the current road and bridge specifications to comply with Federal and State regulations pertaining to public welfare and safety.

The construction will be performed in such a manner that traffic will be maintained with a minimum of inconvenience to the traveling public. After the project is complete, VDOT will maintain the road.

Project Graphic



Estimated Project Cost

Total Cost:
\$47 million
Engineering of Roadway Plans:
\$4 million
Right of Way Acquisition, Relocation Assistance and Utility Relocation:
\$11 million
Construction:
\$32 million

This cost for the construction of this project will be funded 20 percent by the state of Virginia and 80 percent with federal funds.

Civil Rights

VDOT ensures nondiscrimination and equal employment in all programs and activities in accordance Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. If you need more information or special assistance for persons with disabilities or limited English proficiency, contact VDOT's Civil Rights Division at 540-899-4562, TTY/TDD 711.

Right of Way

The possibility exists that there may be one residential displacement, and no businesses, farms, or non-profit organizations displaced as a result of this project.

As we further develop and finalize the development of this project, additional easements for utility relocation may be required beyond the proposed right of way shown on the public hearing plans. The property owners will be informed of the exact location of the easements during the right of way acquisition process and prior to construction.

Information about right of way acquisition is discussed in VDOT's brochure entitled Right of Way and Utilities: a Guide for Property Owners and Tenants. Copies of this booklet are available from a VDOT right of way agent. After this meeting, information regarding right of way may be obtained from the right of way contact listed on the back of this brochure.

Anticipated Schedule

The following schedule has been proposed:
Design Public Hearing and comment period – July 2010
Construction – Spring 2014

Environmental Review

VDOT's Fredericksburg District Environmental Office has performed environmental reviews and coordination to obtain information about environmental resources in the project vicinity; to provide natural and historic resource agencies an opportunity to review and comment on the project during its development; and to identify opportunities for avoidance, minimization and mitigation of potential environmental impacts.

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) is applicable to this project and a Categorical Exclusion has been developed in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration and in accordance with federal guidelines. The NEPA document includes information from various technical reviews including those related to natural resources, water quality, threatened and endangered species, air quality, noise, etc. In compliance with the national Historic Preservation Act, Section 106 and 36 CFR Part 800, information concerning the potential effects of the proposed project on properties listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places is also provided in the environmental documentation.

The project will continue to be coordinated with the appropriate federal, state and local agencies as part of the environmental review and approval processes required throughout project development and construction. All required environmental clearances and permits will be obtained prior to commencement of construction. Strict compliance with all environmental conditions and commitments resulting from regulatory approvals and implementation of VDOT's specifications and standard best management practices will protect the environment during construction.

The NEPA document and the results of other environmental studies are available at today's meeting. Representatives from VDOT's Environmental section are available to discuss this information and to answer questions.